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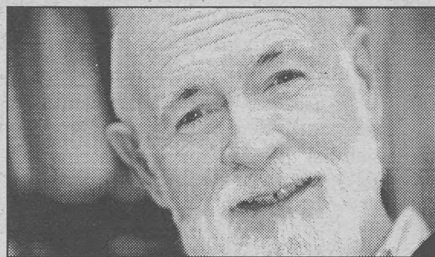
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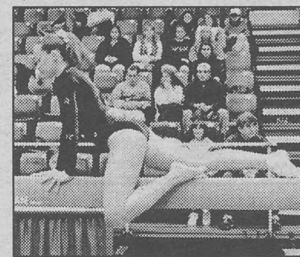
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GW's Asian students explore financial options

by Shruti Daté
Asst. News Editor

GW students hard hit by the Asian economic crisis are being offered relief by the University, though some are worried this aid will fall short of their needs.

Tuition deferment and employment plans are among options being presented to students. Some Asian students are cutting their living expenses to meet the cost of GW tuition.

The economic straits stem from a dramatic dip in currency values in Pacific Rim nations during

recent months.

During the past six months, the value of the Korean *won* has fallen from about 800 *won* per dollar to about 1,670 *won* per dollar today. The Indonesian *rupiah* plunged from 2,400 per dollar to a current rate of 14,800 per dollar. The Thai *baht* dropped from 25 *baht* per dollar to 54 *baht* per dollar.

As their nations' currencies drop across the world, Asian students at GW are faced with their own set of economic difficulties. It would have cost a Korean student 1.6 million *won* to pay GW's \$20,245 undergraduate tuition six months ago. Now students

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would need to pay the equivalent of 3.6 million *won* a year.

Some students from the Pacific Rim have been forced to return to their home countries.

GW's Office of Institutional

Research reports that Korean student enrollment is down about 18 percent since the fall semester and that Thai student enrollment is about 8 percent lower.

However, the figures are still pre-

liminary since the research office will not take its final census of student population until February, when students who do not pay tuition are dropped from University enrollment.

"There are a lot of Korean students who returned home because of their financial situation," said Korean-American student Ha Jeung (Julie) Lee.

But at a meeting last week, Stephen L. Bennett, assistant director of the International Services Office, outlined options that could keep students in

(See CRISIS, p. 6)



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Pro-life and pro-choice demonstrators face off.

Opposite sides of the abortion debate

by Dan Gabriel
Hatchet Staff Writer

Editor's note: "Jennifer's" name in this story was changed at her request.

Inherited life

Jennifer stopped hesitantly at the threshold of the Hillcrest Women's Surgi-Center in Southeast Washington, composed herself, then made her way into the abortion clinic.

It was the Saturday after the 25th Anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, and Jennifer had set out to counsel a woman out of an abortion. The protesters had long since dispersed, leaving the ground cluttered with bright orange signs - dissonance still hung in the air.

Jennifer thought of her mother. Her mom was a 14-year-old high

school freshman from a small mid-western town when she got pregnant. The story goes that her father was 19 years old at the time. He never knew about the pregnancy.

"My mother never told anyone who he was because her parents would have charged him with statutory rape," Jennifer speculated. "In '79, an unwed pregnant daughter would have been a huge disgrace."

Jennifer has never met her mother, though she knows from what adoption agencies call "unidentifiable information" that she inherited her red hair and brown eyes from her mother.

"I can't put an age on it (when she learned she was adopted), but I do remember that while other kids were

(See ROE V. WADE, p. 7)

IRS lightens student tax burden

New guidelines expand Medicare, Social Security exemption

by Becky Neilson
News Editor

New guidelines released Jan. 16 by the Internal Revenue Service clear up a provision in the federal tax code that authorizes a tax exemption for students who regularly attend classes at the college or university where they are employed.

The long-awaited clarification in federal law means students enrolled at least half time and employed by GW no longer will need to pay Social Security and Medicare taxes.

The Federal Insurance Contribution Act, commonly referred to as FICA, requires a 15.3 percent "contributory" tax on wages to fund the Medicare and Social Security programs. One half of the tax is withheld from a student employee's earnings, the other half is paid by the University.

The FICA tax exemption applies only to students employed in on-campus jobs since universities are tax-exempt organizations.

Previously, only undergraduate students enrolled in at least 12 credit hours, or otherwise classified as "full time" by their institution - and who worked no more than 20 hours a week - received an exemption from the IRS for FICA taxes. Graduate students were subject to slightly different benchmarks, but the IRS still required more or less full-time enrollment for tax exemption.

But many universities, including several large state schools like the University of Michigan and Indiana University, challenged the agency's so-called "12/20 rule," referring to 12 credit and 20 work hours, calling for a more liberal definition of a "student."

"The previous guideline was a very restrictive test," said Bertrand M. Harding Jr., a Washington lawyer who specializes in federal income tax law. "If you applied the 12/20 rule, it severely limited the number of students eligible for exemption."

Harding represented a group of about 30 colleges and universities which has lobbied the IRS since 1994 to relax its 12/20 rule to expand the definition of a student to

(See IRS, p. 8)

SASS plan puts dean next door

by Andrew Ganz
Hatchet Reporter

After a long day at the office, Jan-Mitchell Sherrill doesn't face D.C. traffic or the crowded Metro on his way home.

The associate dean of GW's Community Living and Learning Center leaves his office in Fulbright Hall and heads for Francis Scott Key room 102, where he has lived since December.

As part of the division of Student and Academic Support Services' reorganization last fall, CLLC introduced a plan to house GW faculty members in University residence halls to create better lines of communication with students.

Sherrill is the first to embark on CLLC's experimental journey, forsaking the comforts of home for on-campus life.

"I'm really excited about it," he said. "What students tell us again and again is that the

essential bond is the one between faculty and students."

In addition to his duties as a dean of CLLC, Sherrill teaches "The American Experience in Film and Literature" in the University Honors Program. He brought an extensive movie collection to share with his neighbors in FSK.

Sherrill's visitors so far have been mostly students he already knows, but he said he is optimistic students will take advantage of the opportunity to interact with a faculty member on a personal level, "without having to be evaluated."

And it appears that the word is out at FSK about the new guy on the first floor.

Liz Roberto, a sophomore who lives on the fifth floor of FSK, said she thinks Sherrill's presence is a plus for residents, but she said she has not stopped by to visit him yet.

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"The last residence hall I lived in was at Drew University and I'd hate to tell you how long ago that was. Some of my friends think I'm insane."
-Jan-Mitchell Sherrill

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Joint Elections Committee to draft rules by Friday

by Tammy Imhoff

Hatchet Staff Writer

The Joint Elections Committee's three final members were appointed Tuesday, leaving the nine-member committee three days to draft its rules for this year's campus elections.

The Student Association Senate approved Andrew Lewis, Kevin Burkett and Jonathan Skrmetti as President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar's appointments to the committee.

Last week, the Marvin Center Governing Board and the Program Board, the other organizations represented on the JEC, approved the committee charter and made appointments to the panel.

The JEC oversees elections for the three student groups, making and enforcing rules that govern all aspects of the campaign and election. The committee's charter, which was redrafted this year, requires the JEC to submit its rules to the heads of the SA, MCGB and PB by Friday.

At Tuesday's Senate meeting, Lewis, a former SA presidential can-

didate, said he is interested in the committee partly because no other former candidate for the SA's top office has sought an appointment to the JEC. He said he hopes his experience as a candidate will benefit the committee.

Skrmetti said discussions about the committee with a former JEC member piqued his interest in the JEC.

"Call me masochistic, but I enjoy this kind of thing," Skrmetti said. "Elections to student government are important and I want to make sure integrity is upheld in this year's elections."

Kevin Burkett, the Senate's associate parliamentarian, resigned from his position Friday to qualify for the JEC appointment, Golparvar said. The JEC charter specifies that no committee member can be part of the organization s/he represents.

In other Senate business, Will Stewart was approved as the SA's vice president for student activities to replace Nerissa Whittington, who resigned last fall. Susan Payne was appointed to fill the vacant School of Business and Public Management

graduate seat.

An undergraduate School of Engineering and Applied Science seat and a graduate at large seat still remain empty.

Sen. Frank Vitolo (Law), chair of the Rules Committee, also introduced a reapportionment bill that would create graduate and undergraduate seats to represent the School of Public Health and Health Services.

The bill also would create a Senate seat for Mount Vernon College, the small women's college that will become a school of the University by 1999.

Some senators expressed concern about granting a seat for Mount Vernon College.

But Vitolo said the SA constitution stipulates that any school created or redesignated by the University should be granted a seat.

"Just because they have their own (student) government doesn't mean they shouldn't have a seat on the Senate. The law school has its own government, yet we have seats on the Senate," he said.

The bill was sent back to the Rules Committee for revision.

SA seeks to fill grad student gap

by Zach Radford

Hatchet Reporter

The recent departure of an overworked graduate Student Association senator means the Senate must once again search for a graduate student interested in the position.

Finding graduate students to fill Senate seats has become an annual battle in the SA and the current search already has been on for several months.

The resignation of former Sen. Barbara Mosseau — who represented the Graduate School of Education and Human Development — opened the spot last fall. Mosseau said she tried to persuade GSEHD students to apply for the position after she resigned, but no one applied. Most cited conflicts with classes and other activities,

she said.

"It was not because there was a lack of desire," Mosseau said.

Mosseau, a doctoral student writing her dissertation, said her experience exemplifies the conflicts between working, studying and participation in the SA and other activities. She said she precariously balanced her Senate responsibilities — including membership on the Academic Affairs Committee — with the demands of earning a degree and working as a full-time teacher.

In the end, she said, she chose to sacrifice her Senate seat.

"As an adult professional, it's almost impossible to fulfill your SA responsibilities," Mosseau said.

Like many GSEHD students, Mosseau taught all day before attending evening Senate meetings or graduate school night classes.

She said she often would return home at midnight, only to wake up at 5:30 the next morning.

Since no students from GSEHD expressed interest in the seat, the Senate voted earlier this month to open the seat to applicants from any graduate program.

Rules Committee Chair Sen. Frank Vitolo (Law) has advertised the open seat, posting signs and fliers in areas graduate students frequent, but the open graduate seat has generated little enthusiasm.

SA President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar acknowledges the problem Mosseau's situation highlights. Working and earning a degree is a graduate student's top priority, he said.

"Community involvement is not a major thrust in graduate life," Golparvar said.

But graduate Sen. Emily Cummins (CSAS) said she believes the apparent lack of graduate student interest in the SA is not the result of an excessive workload or simple apathy. She said it reflects a lack of SA programs that focus on graduate students.

"Why get people interested in things that don't affect their school?" Cummins said.

She pointed out that many graduate students participated in this month's SA Book Exchange, a program that benefits both graduate students and undergraduates.

Mosseau said she enjoyed working with all members of the SA and said she hopes to see many of them in future political offices.

"I have nothing but admiration for them," Mosseau said.

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Spring break trip highlights service

by Regina Van Horne
Hatchet Reporter

College students across the nation will flock to the beach for spring break, but some GW students and faculty will head to the shore for a different reason – to perform community service in coastal South Carolina.

Sixteen students and two faculty members will spend spring break on South Carolina's Sea Islands as part of the Protestant Campus Ministry's "Alternative Spring Break" program. They will work for Rural Missions, a community service organization similar to Habitat for Humanity.

Since 1992 more than 120 GW students, faculty and staff have spent their spring break painting churches in Ghana or reconstructing dilapidated houses near the Texas-Mexico border.

"(The trip) offers an alternative to students other than going down to Florida and drinking the week away," said senior Erica Frankel, one of the trip's three student organizers.

This year, the volunteers plan to repair or build homes during their weeklong stay on the islands, but specific details of their trip are still in the works.

The group members will spend the week learning about the history of the islands and the area's future, said Rev. Laureen Smith, the program's founder.

The isolated nature of the islands has preserved the culture of

the islands despite growing tourist activity, Smith said. Smith said exposure to the islands' Gullah people – descendants of slaves brought from West Africa and the Caribbean – will be an enriching experience for the students.

Zahir Sutarwala, who has been on the annual trip before, said he has a "deeper understanding" of the problems that plague the regions he has visited on the program.

Neighbors Project volunteer Dauda Griffin, who worked at the Texas-Mexico border last spring, said the experience helped him form clearer ideas about community service.

During the next few weeks, the group will raise money to fund the trip.

Frankel and junior Amy Bluestein, another student coordinator, said the group only has raised \$650 of the its \$6000 goal.

Bluestein said the group would like to raise more than its goal so it can give the Rural Missions money to use for its projects.

Group members said they hope to receive financial support from campus organizations, churches, local businesses and family members.

Participants will hold a bake sale and raffle off tickets for free movie passes and local restaurant gift certificates Feb. 3-5. At the end of February, Froggy Bottom Pub will donate Friday night cover charge proceeds and half its tips to the group.



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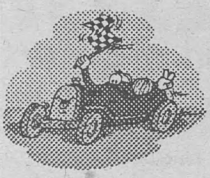
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Homecoming '98

This weekend is Homecoming. For the first time in recent years, Homecoming will not be overshadowed by a University-run event. Last year it was the Inaugural Ball; the year before was the 175th Anniversary. This year will be students' chance to show everyone what kind of show they can put on.

Events target everyone this year – undergrads, grad students and alumni alike. While all the plans have been made and the food ordered, one key ingredient to success remains – students. Everyone should participate in this weekend's events. Many students perpetually complain about the lack of big GW events. They can stop complaining, because this is the biggest event (save Commencement) of the semester.

David Spade will perform a standup comedy show at the Smith Center 9 p.m. Thursday. Tickets for the show cost \$10. Ten bucks isn't going to break anyone's budget. Spade is a funny guy. His skits on "Saturday Night Live" and his characters in different films always have left the audience laughing. This event probably is most GW students' only chance at seeing him live (unless they're willing to take a trip to New York).

Friday night is the Homecoming gala at the Washington Marriott. The Marriott is a quick walk from campus so attendees won't suffer from the cold weather too much. Most students here have a nice set of clothes – guys have their nicely-cut suits; girls have a snazzy dress waiting to be worn. This is the perfect opportunity to take those clothes out of the back of the closet and put them to good use. Besides, it's always fun to get all dressed up with friends.

Saturday night is the step show contest at Lisner Auditorium. If you saw the hypnotized guy at the Tom Deluca show who was stomping and grooving away on stage and liked what you saw, then this is the show for you.

All events should have been better advertised to off-campus students. While the residence halls were awash in posters, many students remain unaware of Homecoming events. Perhaps a more thorough advertising campaign can be done in the future. Regardless, everyone should go to as many of the events as possible. There's food, fun, basketball games and lots more. Go to Homecoming. Help make it a success.

Opportunity lost

Tuesday night's State of the Union address by President Clinton was a long and rambling oratory about dozens of new policy aims, goals and ideas. The speech lunched from brief mentions on everything from education and Iraq, to the economy and sending John Glenn back to space. In the end, so much was said that very little was of actual substance. It was a missed opportunity for Clinton to give the American people definitive and complete ideas on how to better the nation's state of affairs.

The speech was less a statement on the Union's state and more a pep rally. It seemed as if the speech had something of interest for just about everyone listening. The result was a monologue full of ideas, but with few details. Perhaps the speech's many meanders were necessary to keep the audience's attention – by not getting bogged down in the details of say, Social Security or how to afford the expansion of NATO eastward, people's short attention spans would not be tested. Or perhaps the many diverse ideas were needed to show that the president was not mired in the current scandal and was overflowing with energy and momentum.

Regardless of what Clinton's intentions were, the result was a lengthy (though shorter than his 80 minute speech a few years earlier) and rather boring speech. With the Congress controlled by Republicans, Clinton's ability to pass legislation depends on his relationship with the legislature. His greatest tool in passing his legislation is the bully pulpit. It is this bully pulpit he was on Tuesday night, but little in the way of preaching was there. Perhaps our expectations were too high after all that recently has developed, but an opportunity to give Americans a blueprint for the next year was definitely missed.

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Letters to the Editor

Illogical logic

I am appalled by the take presented of people with special needs in the "No ticket to ride" letter to the editor in The GW Hatchet Jan. 20

(p.4). In his letter, the writer readily exposed his ignorance by stating, "If Casey Martin really has what it takes to play professional golf, he would be physically capable of walking the course." He continued to lash out at the handicapped golfer by blurting out that "since he is physically incapable to do so (walk the entire course), he does not have what it takes."

His comparison of the necessity of physical contact to play golf with football leaves much to be desired. While he said walking a golf course "inevitably adds up and takes its toll on the participants over the course of a four-day event," it cannot in any way be compared to the strenuous physical contact involved with football. As The Hatchet's house editorial Jan. 15 stated, "Golf is a game of skill, not sheer athleticism," ("Rules v. right," p.4).

For the writer to quip that "perhaps we should start making concessions to handicapped people in other sports as well," is purely unnecessary and hopefully a bad attempt at humor. The fact that Martin was allowed to use a golf cart to participate in the Nike Tour could not have had a single negative effect on the other golfers subjected to walking the course while someone else carried their clubs.

Following his line of logic, are we to assume the writer similarly is opposed to a GW student, confined to a wheelchair, getting to use a ramp or elevator to attend class on an upper level of a building while the majority of us take the stairs, which "inevitably adds up and takes its toll on" us?

The writer should be ashamed and maybe think before he writes another such public letter.

—Danny Freedman
freshman

Homecoming 1998

On behalf of the Program Board and Student Association, the Homecoming planning committee would like to invite each of you to come out and catch the spirit of this year's Homecoming events.

While we have many events on the agenda, Thursday's comedy show featuring hit comedian David Spade at the Smith Center, Friday's gala "Masquerade" and the step show Saturday at Lisner Auditorium are three of the biggest highlights of Homecoming '98.

Going along with the Homecoming gala's theme of masquerade, masks will be given out at the door. Tickets for the gala, to be held at the Washington Marriott, still can be purchased for \$20 per person at the Program Board office (MC 429) until noon Friday.

The gala promises to be an evening to remember with dancing, good music, food and a cash bar. Mr. and Ms. GW, a new Homecoming tradition, also should bring out some school spirit, so come vote today! Elections began yesterday and will be held in J Street from noon until 6 today and also at the entrance to the David Spade comedy show. All nominees will be introduced at Friday's gala and the winners will be announced Saturday during the game.

Don't forget to come check out our events this weekend – Saturday morning will be a pre-game brunch, and later that afternoon a BBQ will take place on the Quad for grads and alumni. Concluding the week of events will be a pep rally and tailgate party followed by the women's

basketball game. Sunday's game also will be aired on ESPN2.

The men's and women's basketball games are sure to bring out the true Colonial spirit in us all! We hope to see you there!

—Heather Roark
SA director of Homecoming
—Jill Hasegawa
PB parties chair

Bad image for GW

The recent op-ed titled "Asian crisis shows need for reforms" (The GW Hatchet, Jan. 26, p.4) was a sad display of the professionalism of the primary GW newspaper.

Even disregarding the writer's opinions, a reader soon realizes he or she is reading an essay that's grade in a freshman political science course would be rather poor. It is written in a manner that brings a reader from topic to topic in accords only to the writer's stream of consciousness.

Likewise, the article spoke of the ills of capitalism with a disregard of fact. His statements about the American reaction to the Asian crisis are blatantly incorrect as his primary sources are biased, labor-run policy institutes. The writer goes on to make obvious statements about the cyclic movements of corporate economies and without support concludes capitalism is doomed to failure.

The writer's opinions are of his own choosing and are of little consequence to myself. However, it is the carelessness of the editorial staff that allowed the op-ed to be printed, making the University appear foolish, that is at issue. I feel I regularly try to improve upon the University's image by conducting myself in a professional manner when representing GW and think The GW Hatchet's editorial staff should begin to act likewise.

—Doug Fleischer
junior

GW: David v. Goliath

As a junior, I am in a position from which I have seen the mistakes of years past, yet I will be around long enough to care about the present state of GW and its outlook for the future. Talk about the upcoming Student Association elections is already in the air. These elections year after year promise significant change, yet consistently disappoint me.

After some evaluation of the many factors of my disappointment, I have concluded that too much emphasis is placed on the individuals running for the presidency, and not enough on the students as a unified body. One individual alone cannot conquer SJT; in real life, it is Goliath that most often walks away from the fight.

Imagine if David had brought his sisters and brothers, roughly 17,000 angry and dissatisfied individuals, on that fateful day. For my purposes, these are students who are disrespected daily by those to whom they pledge their money and their faith to leave Foggy Bottom well educated. It is no wonder that many leave GW unfulfilled, for it is solely David (the SA president) from whom we expect our concerns to reach the elusive administration.

Please do not underestimate the significance of SA elections. I have realized the SA can either be worthless or vital, depending on the student support behind the lone SA president. We need to cast off the

days of inter-SA battles and of suing the Joint Elections Committee. The three letters JEC mean nothing to me nor to other non-SA students.

Unified behind a progressive candidate who will not yield to the administration, we can turn the tide of disillusion and disappointment by making the next academic year a time for reform, setting an example to other universities nationwide experiencing the same inverse relationship between tuition and customer satisfaction. We must send the message that it is not okay to

take advantage of one's constituents.

Thus far, the Trachtenberg administration has effectively trampled any flicker of student or faculty unrest and too

many students have become GW alumni without a change in pattern.

Since we are a "business that dabbles in education," as SJT has so eloquently stated, we as stockholders are offered the voice of the SA president to air all 17,000 of our individual thoughts and concerns. We must realize the power of solidarity behind our under-utilized SA president through consolidated support in vote, voice and action.

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-The writer is a junior majoring in philosophy.

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Time to finally end bilingual education

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. - It is time to end bilingual education in America. This is a system that originally was intended to be temporary until students gained fluency in English, but it has evolved into a much larger and more dangerous program. Students are segregated and taught almost entirely in a language other than English, like Spanish or Chinese. The effects have been very negative as many students graduate unprepared to enter the work force.

The most recent movement to revamp bilingual education has taken place in California where about 1.3 million students - 23 percent of all enrolled - attend some type of bilingual class. Petitions were filed in November for a ballot measure requiring all students in public schools be taught primarily in English unless their parents request otherwise. This would virtually eliminate all bilingual education. This measure has overwhelming support in California - 80 percent overall and 84 percent among Hispanics. Only teachers in the bilingual education program, who receive an additional \$5,000 a year, persist in supporting the program and insisting on its necessity.

Bilingual education is intended to ease the linguistic transition for

immigrants. This is certainly a noble goal, but the results of the current program seem to be largely antithetical to the objective. Bilingual education has hindered rather than helped immigrants' assimilation to America.

Michael Gonzalez, a journalist who began his education in a bilingual school, said just this: "The program delayed my immersion into English (and) created an added wedge between new immigrants and other students."

Douglas Lasken, a fifth-grade teacher in Los Angeles, wrote that if essays by students in bilingual education programs were published, "the debate would be over. These kids cannot write in English." In American society, the mastery of English is extremely important if one wishes to enter the job market or higher education. This was proven by the Labor Department of the state of Texas, which surveyed Vietnamese immigrants and found that those without English skills earned only the minimum wage, while those who had become fluent averaged \$14 an hour.

Aside from the affect on students themselves, having large numbers of citizens not fluent English speakers can lead to balkanization for the nation as a whole. This is evidenced by the separatist movement in

Quebec, which is fueled by the linguistic differences between the Quebecois and the English-speaking Canadians.

America always has received tremendous numbers of immigrants, but in the past all of them were placed in English language schools, be they Poles, Germans or Russians. With the advent of bilingual education, this is no longer the case and these students are placed at a severe disadvantage. Martin Gross, the author of *The End of Sanity: Social and Cultural Madness in America*, wrote, "Visualize a young Mario Cuomo getting his primary tutoring in Italian, the language then spoken at home, forgoing his chance to become the eloquent governor of New York that he was."

Bilingual education has not served the goal it was created for, and therefore the program should be ended. The proposition to have a one-year English immersion program would much better serve the students. The narrow special interest group of teachers' unions should not stand in the way and continue to force children against their will, and their parents' wills, into bilingual education classes.

-Peter Brownfeld is a columnist for The Cavalier Daily at the University of Virginia.

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Roe v. Wade debate rages on at GW

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reading the children's book *Where Do I Come From?*, I was reading, *Why Was I Adopted?*, Jennifer said. "I still have it. The first page says, 'I was adopted because my mother loved me enough to let me have a better life.'"

Looking at the abortion clinic walls, Jennifer pointed out that a 20-year waiting list exists of couples hoping to adopt a child less than two years old. "So many couples who'd love the opportunity to have a child of their own can't have one," Jennifer said.

In the waiting room at Hillcrest, Jennifer shook her head at the subdued faces on the patients.

"I feel sad for them. They think it's their only way out."

"It's weird, creepy," she added. "Today I have a younger sister who is my parents' biological daughter. She's 10 years younger, but there's no favoritism. I guess I'm lucky that way. That I was adopted by people with so much love to give. I owe my existence to the fact that my mother was pro-life."

Jennifer said that her staunch pro-life convictions have given rise to conflicts with pro-choice friends.

"One of my best friends in high school had an abortion during her senior year and was emotionally devastated afterward," Jennifer recalled. "What hurt her most was that her boyfriend pressured her into the abortion. He was a college student, and he wouldn't support her financially or emotionally. So she just took on this attitude of 'it can't live without me; it's my body.'"

"Afterward, she changed from being one of the happiest people I know to looking at every child that would have been the same age as hers with tears in her eyes."

Jennifer looked out at the street. "A lot of times people will ask me, 'how can you be a woman and be pro-life?'" she mused.

"I always say, 'How can you be someone's child and be pro-choice?'"

Fighting for choice

By senior Kate Carpenter's own admission, the Choice First student

organization she founded during her freshman year has failed.

"There's not enough interest for the pro-choice cause on campus. Students don't think there will ever be a time in which abortion will be illegal. They don't see anything to fight for," Carpenter said.

The group disbanded officially in the middle of last semester, although a core group of about five members often spend Saturday mornings with the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force. The group escorts patients through the pro-life protest lines at clinics.

Still, campus awareness has been difficult, said Carpenter, who sent an e-mail to 75 former Choice First members to come together on the 25 year anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. None responded.

"It's pathetic," Carpenter said.

She pointed to recent court decisions and the support for the partial-birth abortion ban as indicators that the nation may already have started down the path to criminalizing abortion once again.

"They're starting with certain procedures as the first step. And in many places in the Deep South, there is no access to abortion ... and thus no 'right' to abortion. It's unfortunate that there is not accessibility."

Carpenter said she acknowledges demonstrators' right to protest the existence of abortion clinics, but she decried what she called efforts to force pro-life opinions on other people.

"I don't take my ideas and force them on others. They shouldn't either," Carpenter said.

"The anti-choice side always makes the argument that women are enslaved by the abortion culture. I see it as a choice. I cannot see it any other way. That's all there is to it," she added.

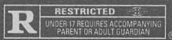
But Carpenter said the language of the debate is important as well.

"I think on the partial-birth abortion issue, the anti-choice side gained ground and caught a lot of people up in their rhetoric. Just the term - partial-birth. It's not a medical term, it's a rhetorical term. I call them anti-choice. And I guess the other side would call me anti-life."

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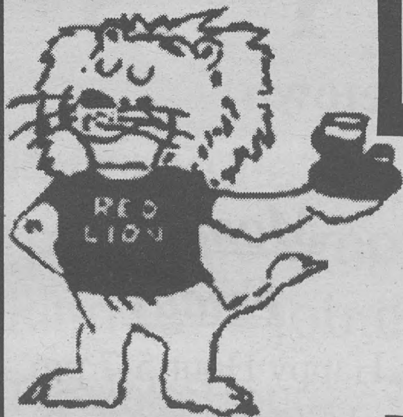
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IRS exempts more students from FICA

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almost anyone who works while taking classes.

The new standard exempts any university employee enrolled as a student at least half time – a definition that applies to anyone at GW who takes between six and 11 credit hours. And, unlike the previous provision, the new standard includes no limits on the number of hours an employee can work.

"This ruling means that the typical student will not be subject to FICA withholding," said Jim McGovern, a former IRS assistant commissioner for tax-exempt organizations who now works for the accounting firm KPMG Peat Marwick.

"The coalition that Bert Harding represented basically went to the IRS and said, 'We don't think your definition of a student is a meaningful definition,'" he added.

Harding and McGovern said the IRS's previous position applied the tax exemption only to student employees who were "students first."

The tax guide distributed to students at GW's Career Center, published in November 1996, notes that "regulations require that the student's primary activity be that of a student rather than that of an employee who is also taking classes."

McGovern said the IRS promised Congress in the early

1990s that the agency would do a thorough audit of universities and other large tax-exempt organizations. During the audit, it found that the existing standards – which were originally added to the Internal Revenue Code in 1935 – were no longer applicable in an era when higher education is common across the nation.

"When the IRS started zeroing in on this issue, they realized the standard was dated," McGovern said.

"This is significant in these days of IRS-bashing," McGovern added. "(The new guideline) sends a very positive signal to the nation's colleges and universities that the IRS is willing to work with them to establish administrable standards."

Though the new guidelines allow a larger group of student employees to claim tax-exempt status, limits still are built into the tax code.

The exemption does not apply to students who work during breaks that are longer than five weeks unless they are enrolled in classes at the same time. For instance, a student who worked in a university office during the summer could not claim exemption unless s/he also was taking classes in summer school, Harding said.

The new standards also do not apply to post-doctoral students, fellows, medical residents or medical interns, McGovern said.

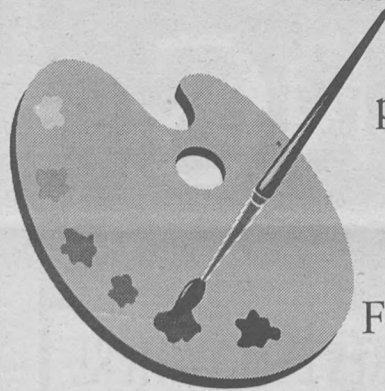
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Closed tunnel delays Metro passengers

Smoke shuts down Rosslyn, Foggy Bottom

by Adam Green
Hatchet Reporter

Foggy Bottom and Rosslyn Metro stations were evacuated Saturday while officials spent more than an hour investigating smoke rising from the tunnel between the two stations.

Metropolitan Police shut down the tunnel around 12:30 p.m. while city firefighters looked for the cause of the smoke, said police Sgt. T. Haselden. The stations re-opened at 1:40 p.m.

An electrical shortage in a pump under the Potomac River caused the smoke, said Kevin Sloan, acting chief of the D.C. Fire Department's Sixth Battalion.

"We saw smoke in the Rosslyn station coming from the direction of D.C.," Sloan said. "We always cover both stations on either side of an incident."

More than 40 D.C. firefighters were sent to the scene. A rescue squad, emergency services team and a hazardous materials unit also were present to investigate the problem. No one was hurt, city officials said.

The delay, however, upset some local travelers.

"I've got to go to work. How am I going to explain this to my boss? I'm already late," said D.C. resident Jose Wilson to a firefighter who was keeping people out of the Foggy Bottom station.

"I'm just trying to get from here to there and it's locked down,"

added Foggy Bottom resident H. Calwell, who was headed to Metro Center.

After waiting for half an hour, Calwell gave up. "I'm going to go home," she said.

Metro officials attempted to reduce inconvenience by providing shuttle bus service, said M.P. Cheek, a Metro supervisor on the scene.

Shuttles ran between the Rosslyn, Foggy Bottom and Metro Center stations, he said.

J. Feagans, a Virginia resident, was traveling with his daughter to a magic shop near the Farragut West station.

"We got shuttled from Rosslyn to Foggy Bottom, thinking the train would run from there," Feagans said.

"Then we were told the station was closed there too, so we would have to wait for another shuttle to go to Metro Center and then take a subway to Farragut West," he said. "We didn't have enough time for that, so we're now waiting to catch a shuttle back to Virginia."

But firefighter John York said the reaction was not all negative.

"People I've spoken to aren't angry, just inconvenienced, concerned and curious," he said.

Howard Smith, a flower vendor at the Foggy Bottom station, profited from the delay.

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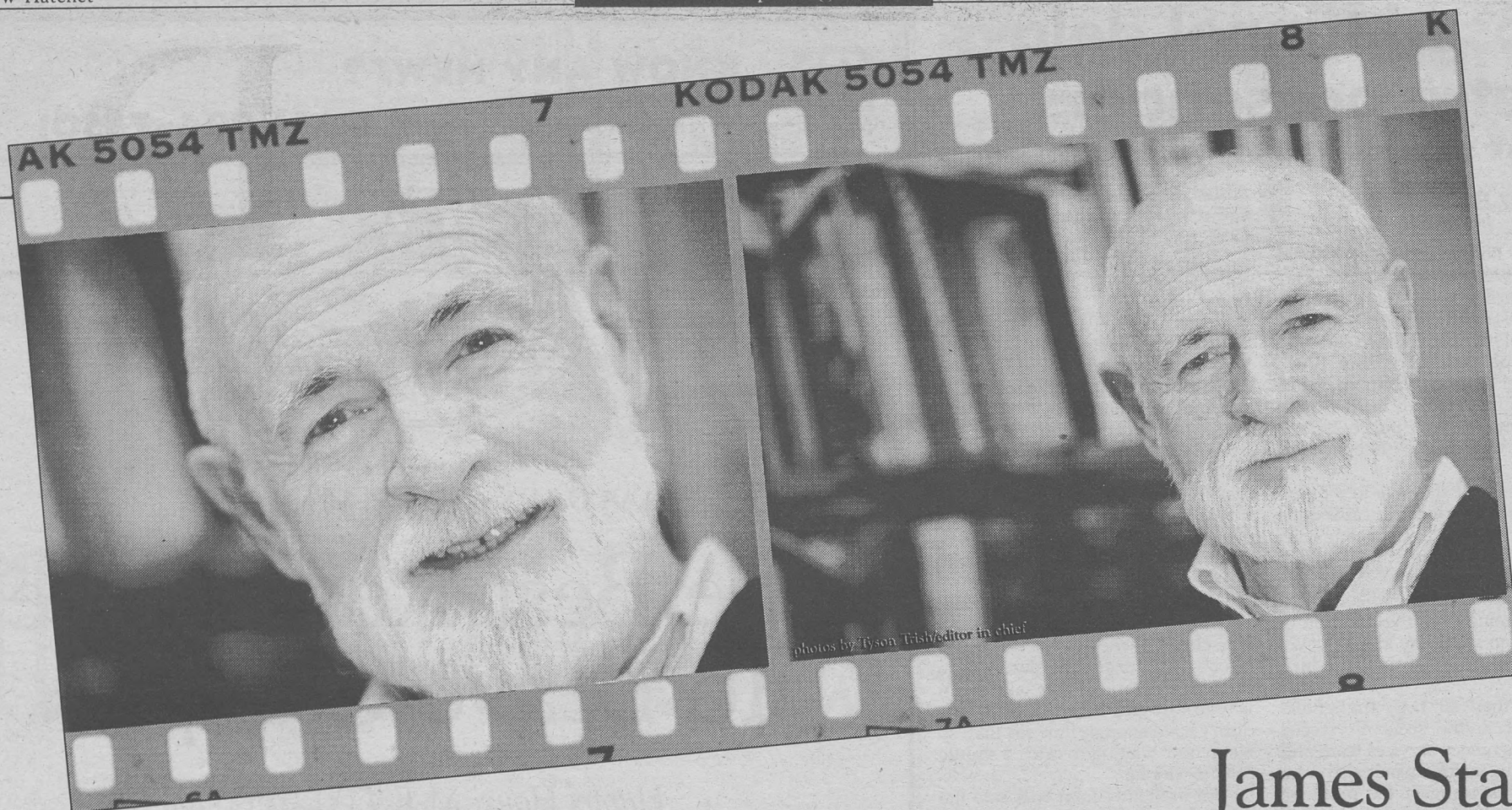


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James Starrs Gravedigging GW professor wants skeletons out of the closet

by Kathryn Maese
Hatchet Reporter

The case reads like a classic whodunit mystery.

On May 2, 1972, police discovered the body of former FBI director J. Edgar Hoover in his home on 30th Street N.W. On the night stand next to his body lay a biography: *Citizen Hoover*, a scathing criticism of Hoover's career. According to a 1973 Harvard Crimson article, Hoover's home was broken into and a vial of poison was planted among his personal articles. Rumors of drug use, depression and physical torment abounded.

Hoover was 77 when he died, but he was in good health, according to his medical record. He retired from the Bureau with 2,626 unused hours of sick leave.

These facts led some to point to the possibility of suicide or foul play. But the official cause of death, accord-

ing to Hoover's death certificate, was hypertensive cardiovascular disease. Hoover died of a heart attack. Within hours, his remains were embalmed and no autopsy was performed.

Twenty-five years later, the Hoover controversy has found its way to GW's campus. At the center is forensic scientist and GW Law Professor James Starrs: adventurer, iconoclast and gravedigger.

On Oct. 3, 1997, Starrs sued the D.C. Medical Examiner's Office to gain access to Hoover's records, which he hopes will shed light on the true nature of the former FBI director's demise.

"It's been bugging me since 1972," Starrs said. "The fact that there was no autopsy conducted peaked my curiosity. I've always been interested in solving mysteries that have eluded the grasp of the masses."

Starrs' findings will be presented in San Francisco this February at the annual meeting of the American

Academy of Forensic Sciences. The program, entitled "The Death of J. Edgar Hoover: A Mystery in Search of a Solution," will be discussed by 11 panelists hoping to end more than two decades of speculation.

After a four-month waiting game, Starrs was granted complete access to Hoover's records by the D.C. Supreme Court Jan. 16. "Right now, every hypothesis is open to investigation," Starrs said, "but I think suicide is the least likely possibility."

Starrs' inquiry into the circumstances surrounding Hoover's death has been met with opposition – even derision – from some members of the scientific community who see the investigation as just another conspiracy theory.

D.C.'s Chief Medical Examiner Humphrey D. Germaniuk explained his rationale for denying an earlier request for the records in a letter to Starrs.

"Just as in life people are entitled

to their privacy," Germaniuk wrote, "so it's my belief that in death people are still entitled to their privacy."

By D.C. Code law, records held by the medical examiner can be released to anyone with a "legitimate interest."

According to Starrs, the public has a right to a complete historical record. He said he questions the medical examiner's reticence in turning over the information.

"Has he got something to hide?" Starrs queried. "This is an opportunity to see if the examiners are doing their work properly."

Throughout his prolific career, Starrs, 67, has kept academia on its toes with his inquiries into the unusual and often grisly events of American history. Among some of his more celebrated cases, the self-described "quixotic" sleuth and Sherlock Holmes aficionado has exhumed the bodies of Jesse James, alleged assassin Carl Austin Weiss, Lizzy Borden, and the remains of the five victims of

famed "Colorado Cannibal" Alfred Packer.

Starrs recalled his first investigation, that of the "Colorado Cannibal," as one of the most challenging and rewarding. Starrs quipped, "The case was meat for my plate."

Starrs' current investigation into Hoover's death will begin Jan. 27. At that time, all the evidence will be laid out on the table.

"Hoover had enemies from all walks of life," said Starrs in an Associated Press interview. "The man's life was marked for death by all kinds of people."

If evidence surfaces indicating Hoover's death resulted from unnatural causes, Starrs said he hopes the case will be presented to the U.S. Attorney in D.C. and brought before a grand jury. Hoover's body could be exhumed.

Although he said he has his own idea about whodunit, Starrs is letting the past speak for itself. "I'm waiting for the facts to sing," he said.

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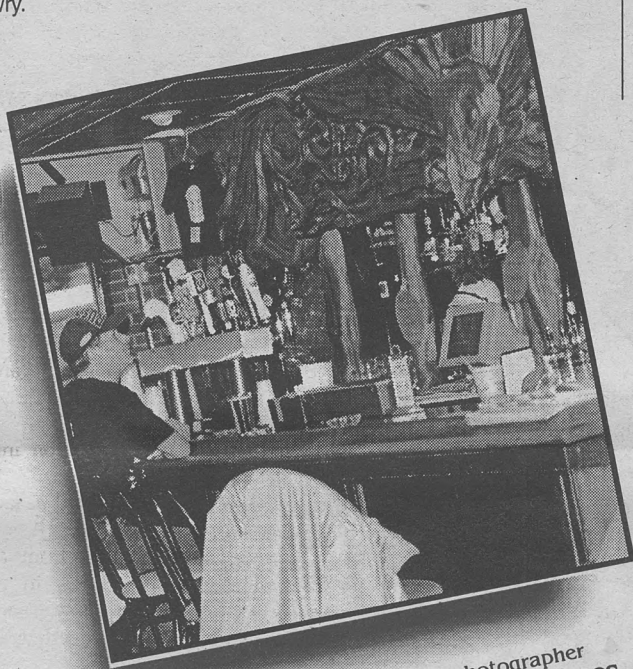
WEEKEND

Homecoming calls for bar scene fun Remember safety during nights on the town

HEATHER HARE
ARTS EDITOR

Senario: Everyone is going out for the night, dressed to the nines. How do you prepare to take on the evening full of alcohol and dancing?

The first thing you think about is not safety, as everyone knows. But in the bigger picture, it really should be at the top of your list. You'll be happy you did when something goes a little awry.



Katherine O'Brien/Hatchet photographer
**Students fill The Crow Bar for good times
and to mingle with a few bikers.**

DRESSING

It's cold out, but jackets are annoying to deal with at a bar or party. Well, do it anyway. Wear layers. It's the easiest way to keep warm while still looking slightly fashionable. Wool sweaters and big cotton shirts can be tied, out of the way, around waists. Something waterproof is essential in D.C. The best thing to do is to bring a couple extra dollars and check your coat. A lot of bars have coat checks in the winter – and the fees are nominal, especially when your health is on the line.

GW Student Health nurse practitioner Susan Haney suggests keeping your resistance up. "Get enough sleep," she said. Understandably, students can't always get the proper amount of sleep, but if sleep is made a priority it helps keep you healthy. Along with sleep, you need to eat fairly well and stay dry, Haney said.

TRANSPORTATION

Because most of us feel so safe on campus, we forget the rest of the city is not quite so safe. Even our beloved Georgetown can be dangerous. The walk back across the Pennsylvania Avenue bridge is a sketchy one, and it would be best to either travel in numbers more than four or take a cab. It evens out to only a couple bucks per person, and, in return, you get door-to-door delivery in the safety and warmth of a D.C. cab. If you are traveling in a pack, still stay in well-lit and well-traveled roadways.

The University Police Department suggests taking an escort van to keep safe whenever possible. Maps of the van's route are available at UPD in the Woodhull House at 20th and G streets.

MONEY

Thinking about the very real possibility of getting mugged makes everyone uncomfortable. The University Police Department offers self defense classes. Rape Aggression Defense is a course that incorporates basic techniques from various martial arts into self defense. With 16 cases of robbery in the area reported to Metropolitan Police last year, it's not wise to consider yourself completely safe. Taking precautions is the key.

And then there are the subtly bad people. Always have a little extra money on hand in case you get left behind and need a ride, or if your date happens to forget cash. Have an emergency credit card with you. In case something completely out of your hands occurs, it's smart to have access to a larger amount of money. But keep the customer service number at home. In the case it gets lost or stolen, you can cancel it immediately.

DRINKING

While most GW students think drinking and fun are synonymous, dangers are inherent in drinking. With hormones raging and inhibitions fleeing, bars are prime arenas for being taken advantage of – on both sides.

Keep an eye on your alcohol level. Remember you always have more fun tipsy than leaning over the ol' porcelain goddess praying all night. And if you're traveling with less experienced drinkers, keep an eye on them.

Haney stresses the need to watch friends. A person can be harmed in a lot of ways while out on a Friday night. "Encourage people to know where their limits are," she said. "If a friend is drinking too much, get them out of the situation and take care of them."

"If you can't rouse them, it can be an emergency. Let your R.A. know or get them to the emergency room," she said. "Alcohol can be lethal."

In the light of the media blitz on the rape drug, it may be wise to be cautious. Sometimes the news can be telling. If the bar seems a little seedy, but you love the atmosphere, keep an eye on your drinks. Try drinking only bottled beers you see the bartender open. If you need to set down a drink to go to the bathroom, get a fresh one.

"Don't let a friend go home with someone they will regret going home with. Rarely is drunk sex safe sex," Haney said.

Haney added that safety is important in regards to accidents. Walking home drunk can be dangerous because a person can fall or get hit by a car.

Some of these problems can be avoided by not drinking. "We sometimes make students feel they have to live up to society. They don't have to," Haney said. "There are a lot of students who don't drink much or at all and have a great time."

Good times exist beyond drinking

ALISON GAZAN
ASST. ARTS EDITOR

You've searched far and wide for your long lost look-alike who just happens to be 21 years old. But alas, no such person exists. Believe it or not, options for fun exist for people under 21.

The only thing you definitely need to have a great time is a big group of friends willing to admit they aren't 21. After you have ousted those still in denial about their age, the fun can begin.

Many dance clubs are 18 to enter, 21 to drink. Yes, you will be stuck with huge Xs on your hands that scream your age to everyone. But you're not there to impress drunkards leaning on the walls. You're there to have fun.

First, don't go running into the bathroom to wash off your Xs. You thought they looked bad? It looks even worse to have huge black smears on the backs of your hands. Instead, hit the dance floor immediately.

Tequila Grill on Saturday nights is a good option. It's close by and bursting with GW students. A dance floor and a DJ will be waiting.

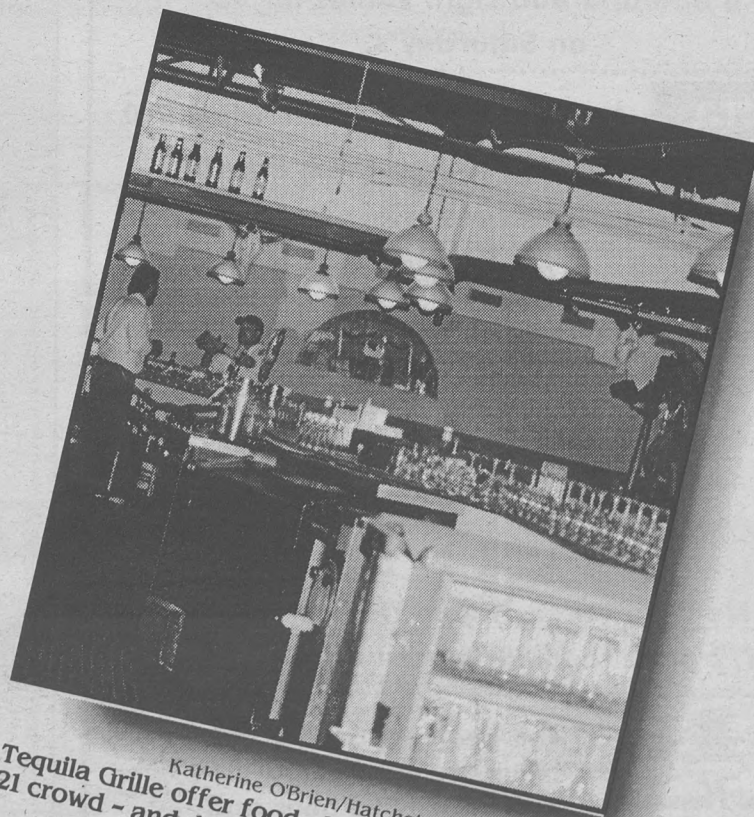
Try to arrive a little early because after the 21-year-olds and "21-year-olds" get a few shots in them, the dance floor gets jammed.

Odd's also allows in students under the legal drinking age. But be careful. A dark dance floor sparsely lit by strobe lights beckons strange looking people to start grinding behind you. Definitely head to Odd's in large numbers, and girls, make sure you bring along some guys.

If you don't like to dance, life beyond clubs is for you. Movie theaters are a few blocks from campus and – or just a short Metro ride away. With the Oscars sneaking up, a ton of great flicks are playing at the theaters.

Going out to dinner may sound boring, but trying new food can turn a mundane outing into an exciting experience. Georgetown alone offers a variety of ethnic foods, ranging from Vietnamese to Ethiopian to Italian. Get a group of friends together and head for a late-night dinner. You would be surprised how much time it takes to eat a full meal. If you eat enough, you'll be so stuffed that by the time you head home, you won't want to go anywhere else.

While life does exist before your 21st birthday, times can get rough.



Katherine O'Brien/Hatchet photographer
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Bar: Capitol City Brewing Company
Where: 1100 New York Ave. N.W.
Crowd: Diverse, mostly corporate
Getting in: Must be 21
Prices: \$3.75-\$7.00
Food: Burgers to pasta
Dancing: Music only
Pick-ups: Not really for college kids
Pluses: Fresh beer, no cover
Minuses: Older clientele
 A big trend toward local breweries exists for good reason. Capitol City Brewery is one if the best around for good beer.

Bar: Tequila Grill
Where: 1990 K St. N.W.
Crowd: College students on week ends, business people during the week
Getting in: Allows under 21 only on Saturdays, they say
Prices: \$3.00-\$6.00
Food: Tex-Mex, pretty good
Dancing: Thurs.-Sat.
Pick-ups: Pretty much a meat market
Pluses: Really close to campus
Minuses: Crowd can seem a little young, cover \$4, under, \$6

The people who frequent the bar changes, but a familiar face always is hiding in there somewhere.

Bar: The Front Page Restaurant and Grille
Where: 1333 New Hampshire Ave. N.W.
Crowd: Young professionals, some college students
Getting in: Under 21 not allowed in bar area
Prices: \$2.75-\$4.50
Food: Tons of appetizers, famous for crab cakes and ribs
Dancing: DJ Thurs.-Sat., jukebox coming soon
Pick-ups: Perhaps
Pluses: No cover charge, good selection, good prices
Minuses: Not as lively as some bars
 If news is your thing, the walls will attract you. They are plastered with famous front pages.

Bar: Sign of the Whale
Where: 1825 M St. N.W.
Crowd: Older crowd during the week, college-age on weekend

Getting in: Need to be 21
Prices: \$2 and up
Food: American stuff
Dancing: DJ Tues.-Sun.
Pick-ups: Kind of
Pluses: Calm atmosphere
Minuses: Calm atmosphere
 "You haven't been in D.C. if you haven't been to the Whale!"

Bar: Old Glory All American Barbecue
Where: 3139 M St. N.W.
Crowd: Young professionals, with some college students
Getting in: MUST be 21 after 11:00 p.m.
Prices: \$2.95 and up
Food: Great barbecue
Dancing: Live music three nights a week, little space
Pick-ups: Not really
Pluses: On the Georgetown run of bars
Minuses: Really picky about ages
 Unless you look like an avid bar-goer, you may have a little trouble getting the bartender's attention. But they do have a 10 percent discount for students if food is ordered.

Bar: Champions of Georgetown
Where: 1206 Wisconsin Ave. N.W.
Crowd: Mostly college students
Getting in: Need to be 21
Prices: \$3.25-\$5.50
Food: Burgers to ribs
Dancing: DJ Thurs.-Sat.
Pick-ups: If you like the sporty type
Pluses: Beer specials
Minuses: A little off the (Georgetown) beaten path
 The music is good, even if no one dances.

Bar: Kelly's Irish Times
Where: 14 F St. N.W.
Crowd: Mostly students, some young professionals
Getting in: Under 21 can eat
Prices: \$2-\$7
Food: Served until 10:45 p.m.
Dancing: Live music Wed.-Sat., but not much for dancing
Pick-ups: Pretty rampant for woman
Pluses: Outside of GW's range
Minuses: Kind of a hike
 The live music is really fun, but if you're looking for dancing, you are barking up the wrong tree. P.S. You may find your crowd downstairs.

Bar: Polly Esther's
Where: 605 12th St. N.W., between F and G
Crowd: 21-35
Getting in: Wed. is college night - 18 and over
Prices: \$2.50 and up
Food: None
Dancing: TONS!!
Pick-ups: Pretty good on both sides
Pluses: Music
Minuses: Very busy
 This place will make even the youngest of college kids feel old. The very fact that our Cabbage Patch Kids are retro can make a person feel a little weird. But really, this has to be one of the best places to go dancing in D.C. With lighted dance floors and drinks called "Purple Rain" on the 80s floor and "Brady Punch" on the 70s, you can't go wrong!

Bar: Garrett's
Where: 3003 M St. N.W.
Crowd: 21-30
Getting in: Need an ID, thanks to me

(See GWEEKEND p. 3)

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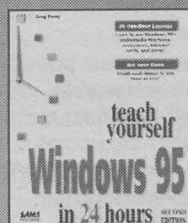
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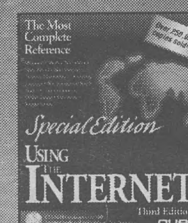


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Prices: \$2.00 and up
 Food: Full menu
 Dancing: Very little
 Pick-ups: Lots if you're looking
 Pluses: On the Georgetown run
 Minuses: Very crowded
 Because the Bar Belle was dumb enough to open her mouth and claim that the doormen were nice, they are no longer. But that doesn't detract from the fun atmosphere inside.

Bar: Buffalo Billiards
 Where: 1330 19th St. N.W.
 Crowd: 25 and older
 Getting in: Not really for under 21
 Prices: \$2.75-\$8.00
 Food: Southwestern
 Dancing: Not really
 Pick-ups: Some
 Pluses: Pool tables
 Minuses: A little walk
 The smoke is not too thick, so for pool lovers, the 30 pool tables are visible.

Bar: One Step Down
 Where: 2517 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.

Crowd: Eclectic, to say the least
 Getting in: Anyone can come
 Prices: \$2.25 and up
 Food: Very short, but delectable menu of American food
 Dancing: More of a sit down place
 Pick-ups: A little too intimate for it
 Pluses: Jazz! Blues!
 Minuses: \$5 cover on weekdays, \$10 on weekends
 It's a groovy little space. Being the oldest jazz club in town and the second oldest continuously running in the nation, it tends to attract a good number of talented musicians.

Bar: Mr. Days'
 Where: 1111 19th St. N.W.
 Crowd: Sport fans, mostly
 Getting in: Only over 21
 Prices: \$2-\$3.50
 Food: Serves sports bar food until 1:30 a.m.

Dancing: Not really
 Pick-ups: If you like the type
 Pluses: 68 TVs, three satellites, free buffet on Thurs.

Minuses: No diversity
 If you like sports, this is the place to be. It claims to be able to show any

sporting event, even soccer games in Brazil. And it can book private parties.

Bar: Froggy Bottom Pub
 Where: 2142 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.

Crowd: Mostly GW people
 Getting in: Under 21 only until 10 p.m.
 Prices: \$1-\$3.25
 Food: Bar food
 Dancing: Very little
 Pick-ups: Very little
 Pluses: Very close
 Minuses: Not very big
 Though it has great drink specials, it is not a major hangout of GW students. The pub closes at 1:30 a.m., so get there early. It has the best pizza around.

Bar: District Chophouse and Brewery
 Where: 509 7th St. N.W. Gallery Place Metro Stop

Crowd: MCI Center attendees, young professionals
 Getting in: Under 21 can hang out
 Prices: \$4-\$100

Food: Great food, cheap to expensive

Dancing: More mingling
 Pick-ups: You'd be lucky if you could
 Pluses: Freshly brewed beer
 Minuses: Kind of far away
 The food is exceptional and the service is wonderful. It's too bad it is so far away and not very college oriented.

Bar: Odds
 Where: 1160 20th St. N.W.
 Crowd: 18-25

Getting in: 18 and over any time
 Prices: \$1 and up
 Food: American food until 11 p.m.
 Dancing: A lot
 Pick-ups: A lot
 Pluses: Close, GREAT specials
 Minuses: Very young crowd
 It's too bad not many 21-year-olds frequent the bar because the specials are really a deal and the dancing is tons of fun.

Bar: Mr. Smith's of Georgetown
 Where: 3104 M St. N.W.
 Crowd: College students to parents' generation

Getting in: Under 21 can order food until 10 p.m.
 Prices: \$1 and up

Food: American
 Dancing: With live music upstairs
 Pick-ups: Some
 Pluses: Fun music upstairs, piano bar downstairs
 Minuses: A little too crowded
 The beer of the month is only \$2.. Take advantage of the music, free of cover charge!

Bar: The Crow Bar
 Where: 1006 20th St. N.W.
 Crowd: Very diverse
 Getting in: Allow limited numbers of under-21ers

Prices: 50 cents and up
 Food: Bar burgers, burritos, etc.
 Dancing: Jukebox with everything
 Pick-ups: Dare it
 Pluses: Close by and different
 Minuses: Only if you're afraid of a couple of bikers

The Crow Bar needs to prove itself to you. So, there's a few hogs outside, the inside is only speckled with bikers. A GW grad runs the place and loves students. He claims the bar is "the most diverse of any bar in D.C. It's the closest thing to Greenwich village in D.C."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 21)

This weekend you need to balance fun and work. Figure out now what it means to budget your time so you don't have to pull an all-nighter down the road.

PISCES (Feb. 22-March 21)

Tired after a long week's work - probably not. Work isn't a word in your vocabulary. Carry this mentality into the weekend and have fun.

ARIES (March 22-April 21)

It's Homecoming and you have no idea what that means. Drink to it anyway.

TAURUS (April 22-May 21)

Don't drink before going to see David Spade like you planned. You'll just get caught again, and your parents really aren't in the mood for a day trip to D.C.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Watch your back at work. Someone may secretly be taping your phone conversations to use against you or someone else in the future.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)

It's time you let go of the past and moved forward. Take down his/her pictures and realize that it's over. So go out and try your hardest to make him/her jealous. Hook up right in from him/her at a party.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)

Don't be nervous if your boss at your internship invites you into his/her office.

It's probably nothing. Everyone is being really careful about how they treat their employees nowadays.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)

Trying to decide whether or not to do spring rush. You can if you want, but Clinton is planning to ban human cloning

so you may have an identity crisis soon.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)

It's time you showed some school spirit. Go to the basketball game with a microphone and pretend

that you're the long-gone Superfan Mike.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)

Tired of the college scene? Try finding out where the Washington Wizards go to party. They'll show you how to have fun. Just don't get in a car with Chris Webber.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You are in the mood for a low-key weekend. Go buy a bag of cheese doodles and a liter of soda at Safeway and sit outside the Watergate waiting for Monica Lewinsky to emerge. For fun, yell her name every once in a while.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

You need to start telling the truth. White lies don't always hurt people, but sometimes things can get out of hand. Stick to the real story this weekend or you could be on the front page of The Post next to Clinton.



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MOVIES

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The Boxer (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:30

Wag the Dog (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 5:15, 7:45,
10:00
Mon.-Thurs. 5:15, 8:15,
10:30

As Good As It Gets (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. 1:15, 4:30, 7:30,
10:30
Mon.-Thurs. 4:45, 7:30,
10:15

Deceiver (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:30, 5:30, 8:00,
10:15
Mon.-Thurs. 5:15, 7:45,
10:00

Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. 10:00
Mon.-Thurs. 10:00

Fallen (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:45, 5:00, 7:45,
10:15
Mon.-Thurs. 5:00, 7:30,
10:00

Kundun (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. 1:30

Titanic (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 5:00, 9:00
Mon.-Thurs. 4:45, 8:30

AMC Union Station
50 Massachusetts
Ave. N.E.
(703) 998-4262

Deep Rising (R)
Fri.-Sat. 1:45, 5:30, 8:10,

10:45
Sun.-Thurs. 1:45, 5:30,
8:00, 10:30

Wag the Dog (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 3:20, 5:45,
7:55, 10:10
Mon.-Thurs. 2:00, 5:45,
7:55, 10:10

Titanic (PG-13)
Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 4:45, 9:00
Mon.-Thurs. 1:00, 5:00,
9:00

Spice World (PG)
Fri.-Sat. 12:40, 2:50, 5:00,
7:20, 9:45
Sun. 12:40, 2:50, 5:00,
7:10, 9:40
Mon.-Thurs. 1:15, 5:00,
7:10, 9:40

Great Expectations (R)
Fri.-Sat. 2:00, 5:15, 7:50,
10:30
Sun.-Thurs. 2:00, 5:15,
7:50, 10:20

Half Baked (R)
Fri.-Sun. 1:15, 3:40, 6:00
Mon.-Thurs. 1:45, 6:00

Phantoms (R)
Fri.-Sat. 8:10
Sun.-Thurs. 8:00

Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13)
Fri.-Sat. 10:45
Sun.-Thurs. 10:15

As Good As It Gets (PG-13)
Fri.-Sat. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30,
10:40
Sun.-Thurs. 1:30, 4:30,
7:30, 10:20

Fallen (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:30, 4:15,
7:00, 9:45

Amistad (R)

Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 4:00, 7:15,
10:30
Sun.-Thurs. 12:45, 4:00,
7:15, 10:20

Cineplex Odeon Dupont Circle
1350 19th St. N.W.
333-FILM #792

Afterglow (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:20, 4:50,
7:20, 9:50

Good Will Hunting (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:10, 2:30,
4:40, 5:00, 7:10, 7:30,
9:40, 10:00

Deconstructing Harry (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:35, 3:40,
5:45, 7:50, 9:55

The Apostle (PG-13)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:30, 4:15,
7:00, 9:45

Cineplex Odeon Wisconsin Avenue
4000 Wisconsin Ave.,
N.W.
333-FILM #789

Great Expectations (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:40, 4:20,
7:10, 9:50

Deceiver (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:05, 3:20,
5:35, 7:50, 10:05

As Good As It Gets (PG-13)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:10, 4:10,
7:00, 9:55

Wag the Dog (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:00, 3:15,
5:30, 7:45, 10:00

The Boxer (R)
Fri.-Mon., Wed. 1:30, 4:45,
7:15, 9:45
Tues., Thurs. 1:30, 4:45,

10:00

Cineplex Odeon Tenley
4200 Wisconsin Ave.
N.W.
333-FILM #791

Phantoms (R)
Fri.-Mon. 2:00, 7:00
Tues.-Thurs. 2:00

Desperate Measures (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:10, 4:40,
7:10, 9:40

Deep Rising (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:20, 4:50,
7:20, 9:50

Fallen (R)
Fri.-Mon., Wed. 4:30, 9:30
Tues., Thurs. 4:00

Cineplex Odeon West End 1-4
23rd and L streets
N.W.
333-FILM #794

Great Expectations (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:00, 4:30,
7:00, 9:30

Wag the Dog (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:10, 4:40,
7:10, 9:40

The Tango Lesson (PG)
Fri.-Thurs. 2:20, 4:50,
7:20, 10:00

Jackie Brown (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 4:10, 9:50

The Boxer (R)
Fri.-Thurs. 1:45, 7:30

Cineplex Odeon Uptown
3426 Connecticut
Ave. N.W.

333-FILM #799

Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13)
Fri.-Thurs 1:30, 4:15, 7:00,
9:45

Cineplex Odeon Foundry
M St. at Thomas
Jefferson, N.W.
333-FILM #827

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil (R)
Fri., Mon.-Thurs. 5:00,
8:15
Sat.-Sun. 1:45, 5:00, 8:15

Kiss the Girls (R)
Fri., Mon.-Thurs. 4:40,
7:10, 9:40
Sat.-Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:10,
9:40

Devil's Advocate (R)
Fri., Tues.-Thurs. 4:10,
7:00, 9:50
Sat.-Mon. 1:20, 4:10, 7:00,
9:50

Eve's Bayou (R)
Fri., Tues.-Thurs. 4:55,
7:25, 9:55
Sat.-Mon. 2:25, 4:55, 7:25,
9:55

Mrs. Brown (PG)
Fri., Tues.-Thurs. 4:45,
7:15, 9:45
Sat.-Mon. 2:15, 4:45, 7:15,
9:45

Seven Years in Tibet (PG-13)
Fri., Tues.-Thurs. 4:15,
7:05, 9:55
Sat.-Sun. 1:30, 4:15, 7:05,
9:55

The Ice Storm (R)
Fri., Mon.-Thurs. 4:30, -
7:00, 9:30
Sat.-Sun. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00,

9:30

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Shear Madness
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Fri. 9 p.m.
Sat. 6 p.m., 9 p.m.
Sun. 3:30 p.m., 7 p.m.

Dream Girls
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Sun. 7 pm
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streets
628-1818

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The Black Cat
1831 14th St. N.W.
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Jetsetter, Clarks Ditch
Fri. Jan. 30
Spottiswoode and His
Enemies
Sat. Jan. 31
Honeyburst, Deep Lust,
Check Please
Mon. Feb. 2
The Sorts, Faraquet
Tues. Feb. 3
Commodore 64,
Katuscha
Wed. Feb. 4
Secret Stars, The Lion's
Den, Sea Tiger

9:30 Club
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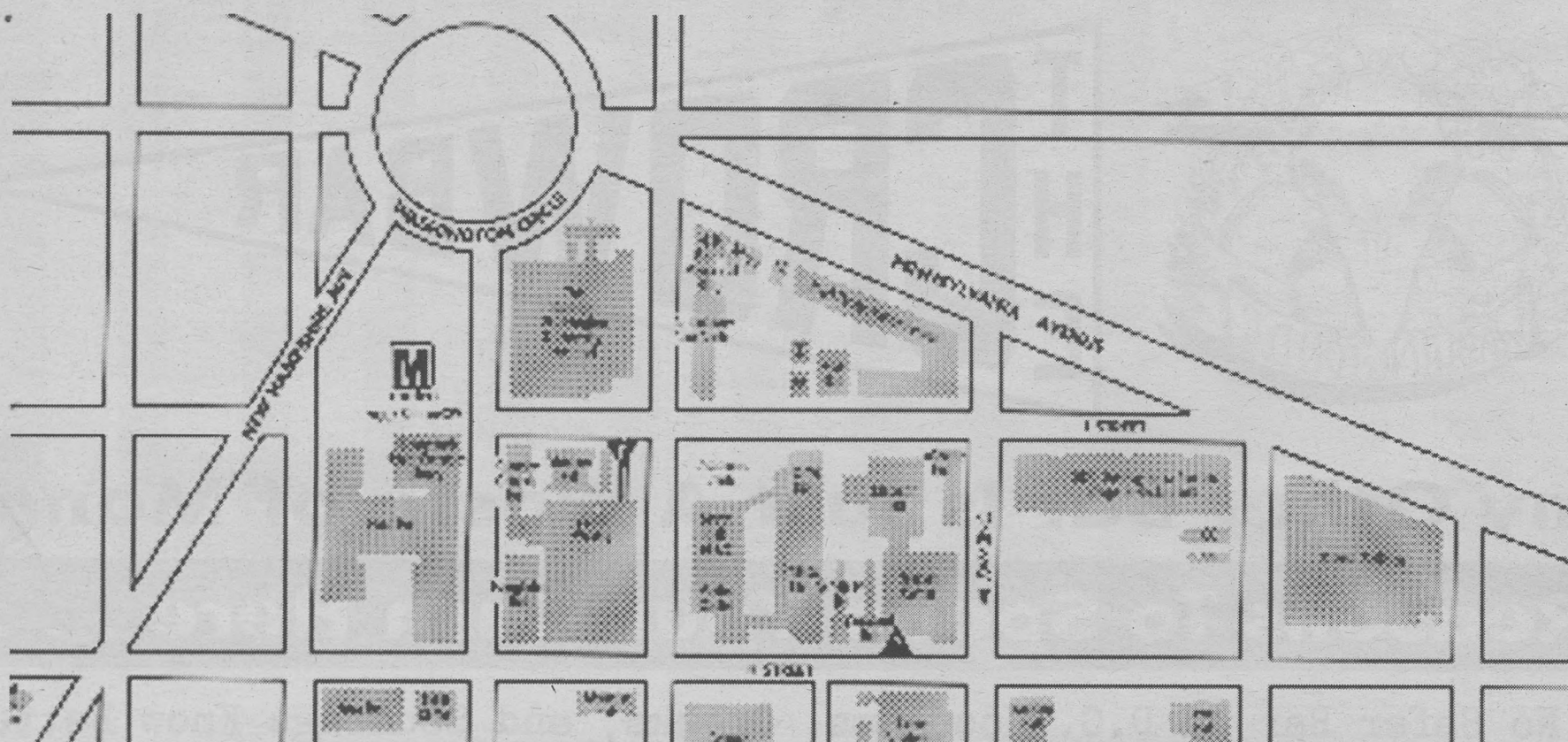
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GW women defeat George Mason

Colonial women improve to 12-6

by Jamie Lin
Hatchet Sports Writer

Exhausted from a two-game road trip, the GW women's basketball team made up for poor shooting with strong defensive play to escape with a 55-39 victory against George Mason University Monday.

Continuing their unusual sub-par play at home, the Colonial women (12-6, 6-2 Atlantic 10) shot a dismal 33 percent for the game and

hit just 24 percent of their shots in the first half. Point guard Elisa Aguilar, the team's leading scorer with 17.0 points per game, shot 0-9 from the field and was shut out by the Patriots (9-10).

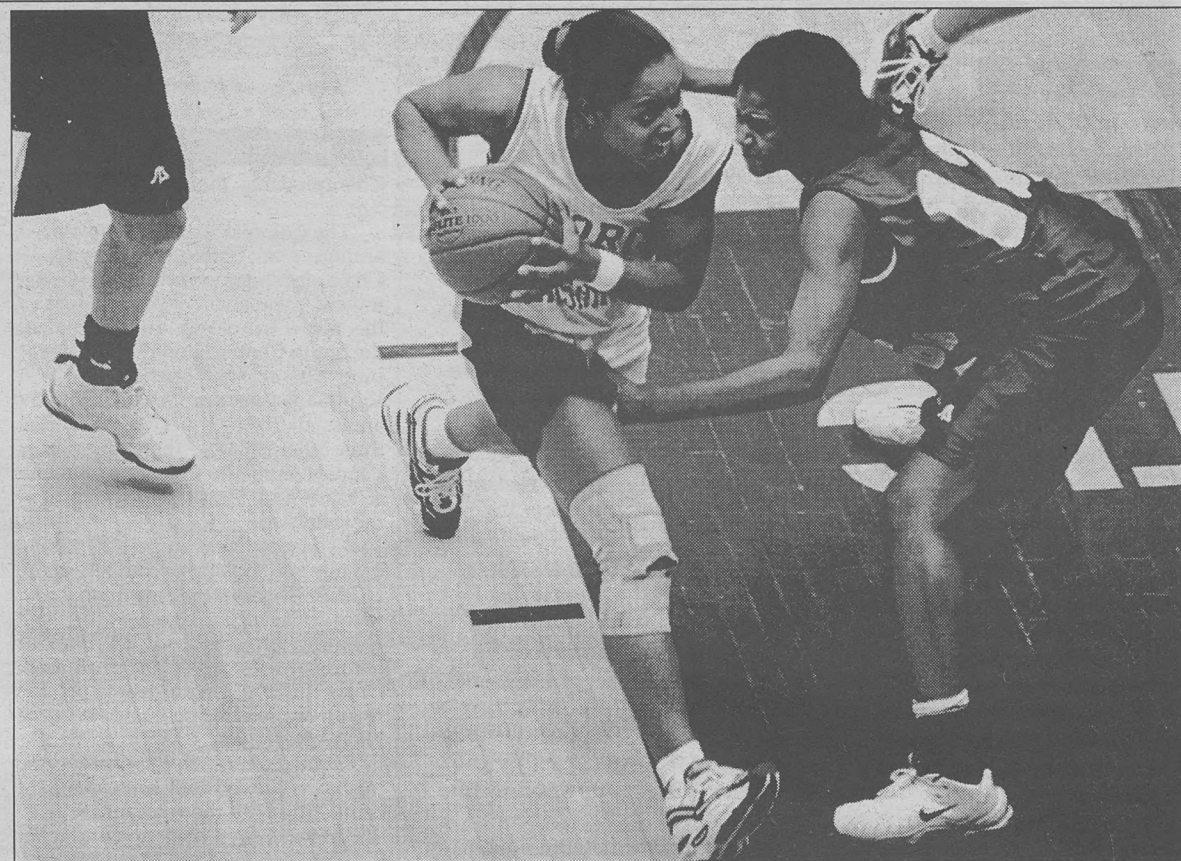
Also struggling from the floor was forward Noelia Gomez, who hit just five of her 25 shot attempts but managed her second consecutive double-double. Gomez had 10 rebounds to go with 17 points.

Forcing 25 turnovers and giving up a season-low 39 points, GW's defensive effort made up for its poor offense. Sophomore guard Chasity Myers hustled for four of the team's 14 steals.

"Defensively I thought we did everything we wanted to do," GW head coach Joe McKeown said. "It's a sign of a good team when you don't shoot very well and can lock the other team out on defense."

Instead of playing zone defense, McKeown made the decision to play man-to-man to stop the Patriots' three-point threats. The Colonial women were successful and allowed just one Patriot basket from beyond the three-point arc.

That three-pointer tied the game at 21-21 five minutes into the second half. The Patriots stayed close behind the play of forward Trish Halpin, who scored 11 points, but never captured the lead. A 21-7 second-half run, capped by sophomore guard Marlo Egleston's three-pointer, allowed GW finally to pull away. Egleston finished with 11 points.



Tyson Trish/editor in chief

Guard Chasity Myers drives to the basket in GW's 55-39 win over George Mason Monday. Myers had eight points, six rebounds and four steals.

"I thought Marlo played a great floor game for us," McKeown said. "She really stepped up with Elisa struggling."

Forward Mandisa Turner scored six straight points during the key GW run. "She gave us a little spark," McKeown said. In her first game after missing two games with an ankle sprain, Turner scored eight points in 19 minutes coming off the bench.

With three players out with injuries, freshman Corrin Reid played 18 minutes, contributing five points and three assists.

"She brings a lot of energy and

enthusiasm, she really pumps people up," McKeown said of Reid. "Athletically she can do what other players can't do."

Freshman Petra Dubovcova is out for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament, sophomore Katarina Baskova is out with an ankle sprain, and junior center Khadija Deas is sidelined with an injured left knee.

Freshman center Leslie Carlson also has seen more playing time because of the injuries to GW post players. Carlson started at center and had four points in 22 minutes.

The first half was sluggish as

shots did not fall for either team. The two teams headed to the locker room at halftime with GW leading 19-14.

"We were really tired, it's no excuse," McKeown said. "I'm not using that as a crutch but we were exhausted."

The Colonial women will rest up for two big games this week. GW travels to Virginia Tech Thursday and will host A-10 East Division leader St. Joseph's Sunday in a nationally-televised game on ESPN2. St. Joe's defeated GW in an upset win in the A-10 Championship game a year ago.

GW 55, George Mason 39					
George Mason	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Goffe	33	2-5	4	3	6
Halpin	30	4-7	4	4	11
Kaup	40	1-5	5	1	4
Jay	37	3-9	11	4	7
Bartley	29	3-10	3	0	9
Wescott	7	0-1	3	2	0
Todd	9	1-5	4	2	2
Surlas	9	0-3	0	0	0
Regan	1	0-0	0	0	0
Lewis	5	0-2	0	1	0
TOTALS	200	14-47	41	17	39

GW	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Gomez	33	5-23	10	4	17
Carlson	22	2-3	1	0	4
Egleston	37	4-6	2	1	11
Myers	29	3-9	6	4	8
Aguilar	35	0-9	4	1	0
Turner	19	4-6	3	5	8
Chiparus	7	1-1	4	0	2
Reid	18	1-4	6	1	5
TOTALS	200	20-61	40	16	55

GM-Percentages: FG .298, FT .625. Three-point goals: 1-8 (Bartley 1-3), .125. Blocked shots: 4 (Halpin 3). Assists: 8 (Surlas 3). Turnovers: 25 (Jay 7). Steals: 5 (Kauf, Bartley 2).
GW-Percentages: FG .328, FT .737. Three-point goals: 1-6 (Egleston 1-3), .167. Blocked shots: 6 (Carlson 2). Assists: 12 (Aguilar 6). Turnovers: 14 (Gomez 3). Steals: 14 (Myers 4).

George Washington men
vs.
Virginia Tech men
Smith Center, Saturday, Jan. 31, 2 p.m.

GW returns to the Smith Center Saturday for the first of two meetings with Virginia Tech. The Colonials (17-3, 6-1 Atlantic 10) are in first place in the A-10 West Division. In addition, GW's leading scorer, forward Yegor Mescheriakov, is expected to return to the lineup after missing three games with a sprained right ankle. Virginia Tech (6-11, 1-6 A-10) is struggling under first-year head coach Bobby Hussy. The young Hokies return only one starter from last year's team and are in last place in the A-10 West Division. Sophomore guard Brendan Dunlop and freshman guard Jenis Grindstaff lead Virginia Tech.

George Washington women
vs.
St. Joseph's women
Smith Center, Sunday, Feb. 1, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)

GW and St. Joseph's, two of the best teams in the Atlantic 10, play their only scheduled game of the season Sunday at the Smith Center. This will be the teams' first meeting since the Lady Hawks upset the Colonial women in the final of last season's A-10 Tournament 59-56 at the Smith Center. St. Joe's returns nine players from the team that went 26-5 last season and made the NCAA Tournament. The Lady Hawks (14-5, 6-1 A-10) enter the game in first place in the A-10 East Division. St. Joe's is led by senior forward Maureen Costello (16.1 ppg) and sophomore guard Angela Zampella (13.9 ppg). GW (12-6, 6-2 A-10) is in third place in the A-10 West Division.

Sports Briefs

GW to elect six to Hall of Fame

The George Washington University will induct six members to its Athletic Hall of Fame at the Washington Marriott Hotel Friday, Jan. 30, at 7:15 p.m.

The six inductees are Susan M. Barkley (volleyball, graduated in 1984), Joseph S. Corbett (wrestling, 1982), Jeannie P. Dahnk (women's diving, 1981), Kenneth W. Emson (men's soccer, 1989), Robert D. Hogue (men's swimming and water polo, 1981), and Paul C. Wilkins (head crew coach, 1981).

GW basketball great dies at 63

Joe Holup, one of the greatest players in the history of GW men's basketball, died Tuesday in Rexford, NY at age 63 after battling prostate cancer.

Holup, who played for the Colonials from 1952-'56, left a permanent stamp on GW's record book. He is the all-time leading scorer in school history with 2,226 points in his career, in which he averaged 21.4 points per game. He also owns school records for field goals (756), rebounds (2,030) and free throws (714).

Holup was drafted by the NBA's Syracuse Nationals in 1956 and also played for the Detroit Pistons later in his career.

Gomez named A-10 Player of the Week

Noelia Gomez, a junior forward for the GW women's basketball team, was named the Atlantic 10 Player of the Week last week.

Gomez helped lead the Colonial women to three wins last week with her stellar play. In GW's win over Dayton Jan. 24, Gomez posted her second double-double of the season with a career-high 29 points and 10 rebounds.

In GW's wins over La Salle and Xavier Gomez also scored in double figures.

Gomez, in just her second season, is approaching the 1000-point mark for her career and could reach that plateau faster than any other GW women's player.

Aguilar earns Rookie of the Week honor

Sophomore point guard Elisa Aguilar of the GW women's basketball team was named the Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Week last week.

The 5-8 guard scored 52 points and earned 15 assists and nine rebounds for the Colonial women in their three wins. Aguilar scored 20 points against both La Salle Jan. 19 and Xavier Jan. 22. She also hit 58 percent of her shots from beyond the three-point arc last week.

Aguilar has been named the A-10 Rookie of the Week on two other occasions this season.

-Dustin Gouker

Broncos win the Super Bowl, what's next?

Hell must be freezing over. Not only did an AFC team win the Super Bowl Sunday, but it was the Denver Broncos. The Denver Broncos, the team that always chokes, finally won the big game. You had to smile, though, watching John Elway celebrate like a kid in a candy store when he finally was handed the Vince Lombardi Trophy.

But all happiness aside, this was a strange occurrence. After watching the Broncos stun Green Bay, I started thinking conspiracy. It's not just the Super Bowl. Maybe I've been watching too much "X-Files," but it seems many strange things have happened in the world of sports so far this year. Strange and disturbing occurrences which aren't supposed to happen. It's frightening.

The Broncos winning the Super Bowl? That's not supposed to happen. Do you know how many jokes that ruins? Well, at least we still can make fun of Buffalo.

But the oddities range far beyond just football. Have you noticed the NBA season is half over and the New Jersey Nets have a winning record? What's up with that? Yeah, I know about Keith Van Horn and John Calipari, but the Nets and winning basketball are two things that just don't go together.

Strange things happened in base-

ball as well. An expansion team from Florida, which wears teal, of all colors, won the World Series. In hockey, Detroit, which hadn't won a Stanley Cup since 1955, swept the Flyers in the finals. (I still can't accept my beloved Flyers got SWEPT).

Could all this be coincidence? I think not. Strange things are happening, sports fans – and I don't know why. Where are Mulder and Scully when you need them?

Maybe it's not all bad. Maybe this strange phenomenon could affect GW somehow. No GW basketball team ever has been to the Final Four. Hmmm. The Colonials are 17-3. They won three games without Yegor Mescheriakov. Mike King can't be stopped. THEY'RE

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Well, maybe not. But how many of you really thought Arizona would win the National Championship last spring? The team finished fifth in the Pacific 10 and then won it all.

It's a strange year. Teams I could always count on being bad or choking in the big game are suddenly having championship parades and raising championship banners. Who is a sports fan supposed to make fun of? There's always the Clippers, I guess.

Dave

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From Left Field



Gymnastics team defeats three squads in own meet

by Jamie Lin
Hatchet Sports Writer

Young but talented, the GW gymnastics team is setting its hopes on capturing the Atlantic 10 Championship that eluded it a year ago.

The Colonial women, who placed second at last year's A-10 Championship, took their first step toward their goal by placing first in the GW Gymnastics Invitational at the Smith Center Sunday. After dropping its season opener to West Virginia University 190.6-184.55, GW amassed 187.075 points to defeat three other squads – the University of Pennsylvania, the College of William & Mary and Temple University – at the meet.

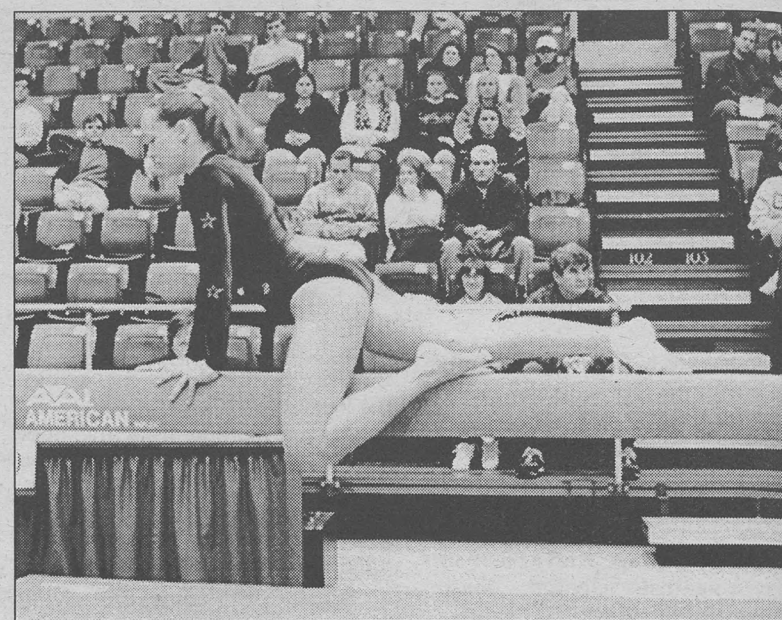
"The girls are pumped up to win the title and looking to compete in the NCAA Regional Championship," said head coach Margie Cunningham, whose 14-member team consists of seven freshmen. Only the top seven teams in the region are selected to compete in the NCAA Regionals.

GW led after each rotation and the freshmen proved they are capable of competing with the veterans.

"When I say I have a young team it's not that they are inexperienced. They are very strong," said Cunningham, who is in her 13th year coaching gymnastics.

GW freshman Darden Wilee of Chesapeake, Va. had a solid day, placing second in the all-around competition with a score of 37.150. Wilee tied another freshman, Donna Sickler of Phoenixville, Pa. for second place in the vault with a score of 9.650.

Freshman Stacie Evans of Manilus, NY earned a first-place finish on the balance beam with an impressive 9.675. She also placed fifth in the uneven bars.



Josh Prezant/Hatchet photographer

The GW women's gymnastics team is setting its sights on an A-10 championship after a second-place finish last season.

"She is calm, cool and collected and has great composure for a freshman," Cunningham said.

Also placing was freshman Stephanie Goldsmith of Atlantic Beach, NY who came in third in the floor exercise and sixth in the vault.

With a score of 9.575 sophomore Erica Lewy placed first in the floor exercise. In addition, Lewy placed second on the balance beam with a score of 9.625.

Right behind her on the floor exercise was senior Siobhan Haney, who came in second with a score of 9.475, her personal best. Haney also had a strong performance on the uneven bars with a 9.425 and a second-place finish.

Senior captain Alexis Hrynko, one of the top returnees from last season, captured first in the vault with a score of 9.775 and came in fourth in the all-

around competition. "You will see her coming in strong," Cunningham said.

Recovering from an anterior cruciate ligament injury, Lisa Gruber, last year's top performer, is expected to make a major contribution to the team soon.

Every four years the scoring system is re-adjusted with different values assigned for various skills. Cunningham said the scoring system will take some getting used to, but overall scores should improve as the season progresses.

By mid-February Cunningham said she wants the team to be scoring in the 190s. For now the Colonial women will start by focusing on their next meet against a tough University of Kentucky squad.

"Our goal for next week is to improve a few points simply by being more consistent," Cunningham said.

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Swimming teams find top form

by Dave Mann
Sports Editor

In a performance Coach Marc Hagen said bodes well for the upcoming Atlantic 10 Championship, both the GW men's and women's swimming and diving teams routed James Madison University at the Smith Center Saturday.

"In terms of combined men's and women's, it was probably the best effort I've seen since I've been here," Hagen said. "In every race, each person had a personal best swim. It fired me up a lot for the conference (championship)."

The men's team placed first in 10 of the 13 events in a 149-88 win. The meet opened with GW winning the 400-yard medley relay with a time of 3:29.21.

Sophomore Tim Champney won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of :21.43. Senior John Klonsky won the one-meter diving competition, and freshman Jeremy Hoders won the three-meter competition.

Hagen said almost every member of the team is swimming well, a key to GW finding success at the A-10 Championship Feb. 19-21 in Buffalo, NY.

"For us to have a shot at the conference championship, we need all 18 guys to score for us," he said.

Hagen complimented the swimming of junior Jason Serino. Serino, a walk-on, placed fourth in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of :22.01.

"If guys like Jason continue to do what they've been doing, it bodes well."

The women's team was equally dominant, winning 150-91. The women's team placed first in 12 of 13

events. Sophomore Jennifer Skinner won three events: the 200-, 500- and 1000-yard freestyle races. Freshman Lynne McCormack won both the one- and three-meter diving competitions.

Junior Dena Hoffman won two events for the Colonial women. Hoffman placed first in the 200-yard butterfly (2:09.26) and the 200-yard individual medley (2:11.91). In addition, senior Connie Shelton won the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:26.45. Sophomore Rachel Smith placed first in the 200-yard backstroke in 2:09.18.

Both teams have one meet remaining before the A-10 Championship. GW travels to the University of Maryland-Baltimore County Saturday to race against UMBC and the Naval Academy.

"We're getting mentally and physically ready to peak in 23 days," Hagen said. "We've just got to continue doing what we've been doing."

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Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Golf hazard
- 5 Abound
- 9 A few
- 13 — law (old Germanic legal code)
- 15 Lunchbox treat
- 16 Opposite of under
- 17 Having feet pointing inward
- 19 Physics calculation
- 20 "Tender —" (1983 Robert Duvall film)
- 21 "Holy smokes!"
- 23 Surfing site
- 24 Dutch airline
- 25 Not much for mixing
- 27 Attire

DOWN

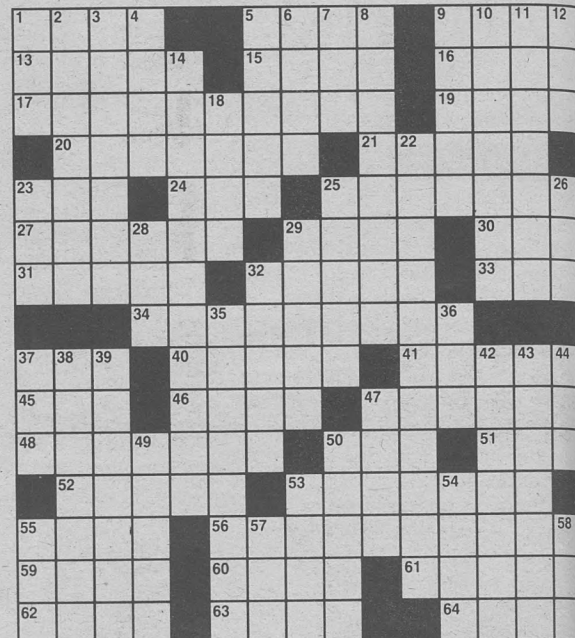
- 29 Onetime Yugoslav chief
- 30 The time of one's life
- 31 Brenda of the comics
- 32 Markets
- 33 Bewitch
- 34 Having keen vision
- 37 Baby beagle
- 40 Nonliteral humor
- 41 Dusk to dawn
- 45 34th Prez
- 46 New Jersey hoopsters
- 47 Indian homes
- 48 Soup dishes
- 50 PC alternative
- 51 Home planet in a 1978-82 sitcom
- 52 One of the McCartneys

DOWN

- 53 Dairy workers
- 55 Cinergy Field team
- 56 Like one's fun house mirror image, maybe
- 59 Baseball's Moises
- 60 Salinger dedicatee
- 61 Lace place mat
- 62 Journalist Hamill
- 63 Arousing
- 64 Protected

DOWN

- 1 Recipe amt.
- 2 Attire
- 3 Search for the unknown?
- 4 Jetty
- 5 Pole on a reservation
- 6 God of love
- 7 Very wide, shoe-wise
- 8 In a humble way
- 9 Poison
- 10 Book after Amos
- 11 Bit of E-mail
- 12 Hosp. areas
- 14 Foolish
- 18 Cairo's river
- 22 Flexible, like some lamp shafts
- 23 "Scream" director Craven
- 25 Choreographer Alvin
- 26 Big Apple subway stop, for short



Puzzle by Peter Gordon

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

G	A	I	T	B	R	I	E	R	O	M	P
A	D	L	I	B	L	O	L	L	O	V	A
G	O	L	D	I	L	O	C	K	S	S	E
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D	E	F	I	L	E	D	K	N	O	B	B
E	M	O	T	E	D	B	R	O	Q	U	E
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O	N	C	E	R	U	E	S	S	C	I	O
N	E	E	R	E	N	D	S	O	N	U	S

- 28 Mine metal
- 29 Rebellious time
- 32 Casino machines
- 35 Soldiers' "pineapples"
- 36 Quick swim
- 37 Raucous card game
- 38 Tiny Tim's instrument
- 39 August birthstone
- 42 Where Athens is
- 43 Feminine pronoun
- 44 "Naughty, naughty!"
- 47 Like most N.B.A. players
- 49 Follow
- 50 Boy in Life cereal ads
- 53 1910, on cornerstones
- 54 Stars have big ones
- 55 Hip-hop
- 57 Put to work
- 58 Hair coloring

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